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E. O. 11652: N/A TAGS: IWC-1, EFIS, JA SUBJ: JUNE MEETING OF IWC

- 1. K. YONEZAWA OF JAPAN FISHERIES AGENCY HAS BEEN APPOINTED COMMISSIONER TO IWC REPLACING Y. UCHIMURA. HE WILL LEAD JAPANESE DELEGATION TO IWC MEETING IN JUNE. IT IS LIKELY THAT T. SAITO OF FISHERY AGENCY WILL SERVE AS DEPUTY. REMAINDER OF DELEGATION IN PROCESS OF BEING SELECTED.
- 2. JAPAN POSITION ON AGENDA ITEMS STILL BEING DEVELOPED. YONEZAWA INDICATES, HOWEVER, THAT JAPAN WILL ACCEPT RECOMMENDATIONS OF SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE.
- 3. YONEZAWA WISHEST TO IMPROVE RELATIONS WITH U.S. CONCERNING WHALING ISSUES. HE FEELS THAT ENTIRELY TOO MUCH FRICTION HAS EXISTED BETWEEN U.S. AND JAPAN IN PAST IWC DELIBERATIONS AND HOPES THAT BOTH COUNTRIES WILL WORK TO LESSEN THIS FRICTION. WITHIN BOUNDS OF INSTRUCTIONS THAT USDEL WILL HAVE, HE HOPES THAT USDEL CAN BE MORE UNDERSTANDING OF JAPAN'S POSTION AT FORTHCOMING MEETING. HE HAD PLANNED TO VISIT U.S. PRIOR TO JUNE MEETING TO DISUCSS SEVERAL AGENDA ITEMS, BUT FINDS NOW THAT HE WILL BE UNABLE TO DO SO.
- 4. YONEZAWA WOULD APPRECIATE HAVING NAMES OF USDEL TO JUNE MEET-LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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ING ESPECIALLY WHO WILL HEAD DEL AND NAME OF NEW U.S. COMMISSIONER IF R. WHITE IS BEING REPLACED. SHOESMITH

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